Rothesay

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Half-Year Trading Update

Robust new business volumes delivered in an active market with significant future growth opportunities

Rothesay, the UK's largest pensions insurance specialist, today provides an update on its trading and financial performance for the first half of 2026.

- **New business**: Rothesay generated new business premiums of £2.8bn in the first half of 2026 (HY2025: £0.3bn, FY2025: £5.2bn). Since 2023, the Group has completed a total of c. £36bn of new business.

- **Market outlook:** The UK's pension risk transfer market continues to be active and dynamic, creating a positive new business pipeline while driving high levels of competition. Rothesay's substantial capital resources and proven execution capabilities across all parts of the pension de-risking market, including the largest and most complex transactions, mean the Group is strongly positioned for the significant opportunities it sees ahead. The Group will maintain its disciplined and patient approach to ensure new business returns remain attractive.

- **Rothesay Radius:** In order to meet the increasing level of de-risking demand and the specific requirements of smaller schemes (less than £100m), the Group launched Rothesay Radius in June 2026. Rothesay Radius is the Group's specialist, tailored solution for smaller scheme transactions that provides trustees and advisers with a direct and efficient route to obtain a quote and proceed to a streamlined execution process.

- **Assets & liabilities**: Assets under management were £74.3bn as at 30th June 2026 (FY2025: £73.5bn). Rothesay secures the pensions of nearly one million people and made £2.1bn in payments to its policyholders in the first six months of 2026. The Group maintained the high level of customer service it provides for its policyholders with over 94% (FY2025: 96%) rating the quality of service received as good or excellent.

- **Riverton:** In February 2026, Rothesay launched Riverton, the Group's fully owned in-house mortgage lender, which will initially specialise in lifetime mortgages. Riverton enables the Group to lend directly to UK customers, providing greater flexibility and opportunities for innovation while delivering customer service excellence.

- **Solvency:** The Group's solvency position continues to be very strong, with a Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) coverage ratio of 235% as at 30th June 2026 (FY2025: 246%).

- **Financial performance:** The Group generated adjusted operating profits of £410m in the first six months of 2026 (HY2025: £337m).

- **IFRS economic value (IEV):** Rothesay's IEV was £8.4bn as at 30th June 2026 (FY2025: £8.7bn). Future gains are expected as the Group continues to make good progress in investing the assets received as part of historic new business transactions in accordance with its cautious, long-term investment strategy.

- **Dividend:** Rothesay has declared an interim dividend of 23p per share and, reflecting the strong solvency capital position of the Group, a special dividend of 22p per share resulting in total dividends of 45p per share (FY2025: 31p per share).

- **Risk management:** Rothesay's long-term investment in market-leading risk management systems, combined with its comprehensive liquidity risk management framework, meant that the Group's solvency and liquidity position remained very strong in the first half of 2026. The Group continues to deliver against its investment strategy which seeks to diversify exposure and reduce risk, generating the dependable returns that create real security for policyholders' pensions. Rothesay manages its longevity risk through unfunded, collateralised longevity swaps and has not utilised any funded reinsurance.

- **Credit ratings:** Rothesay Life Plc has a Fitch Insurer Financial Strength Rating of A+ (Strong) and a Moody's Insurance Financial Strength Rating of A2. The rating outlook is stable from both.

- **Board changes:** From 30th June 2026, following their respective retirements from MassMutual and GIC, Tim Corbett and Robin Jarratt stepped down from the Board as Shareholder Directors. Both have been on the Board for over 12 years following MassMutual and GIC's initial investments in Rothesay. Jacqueline Chen and Jonathan Ferrugia joined the Board as Shareholder Directors for MassMutual and GIC, respectively, on 1st July 2026.

- **ESG & productive investment:** Rothesay is committed to transitioning its investment portfolio to Net Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 including a 50% Carbon Intensity reduction across its portfolio by 2030. The Group is a signatory to the Financial Reporting Council's UK Stewardship Code 2020 and the UN Principles for Responsible Investing. The Group is also a supporter of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures as well as the Climate Financial Risk Forum and an adopter of the Sustainability Reporting Standard for Social Housing.

- **Rothesay Foundation:** The Rothesay Foundation launched the Benefits Boost campaign with Iceland Foods Ltd in June 2026. Backed by a £1.8m commitment from the Foundation, the campaign aims to identify and offer support to 7,500 of Iceland's older customers who are eligible for unclaimed benefits, by providing free benefits checks and application form assistance. To date, through its campaigns, the Foundation has helped over 20,000 older people check whether they are eligible for unclaimed benefits, identifying approximately £86m of annualised benefits.

Tom Pearce, Chief Executive Officer of Rothesay, said: "Rothesay delivered robust new business volumes in the first half of the year as we continued to innovate and invest to meet the growing demand for bespoke solutions across all parts of the pensions de-risking process and for schemes of all sizes. Our substantial capital resources and proven execution capabilities mean we remain well-placed to capitalise on the significant growth opportunities ahead in an active and dynamic market.

As always, we will maintain our prudent approach to pricing discipline and risk management, ensuring we deliver strong multi-year financial performance, supporting our commitment to secure the future for our policyholders and driving long-term value generation for shareholders."

The Group's solvency metrics as at 30th June 2026 are summarised in the table below:

	Group	**Rothesay Life Plc**
	£m	£m
Own funds eligible to meet SCR	8,530	8,668
SCR	3,629	3,629
Surplus above SCR	4,901	5,039
SCR coverage	235%	239%

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About Rothesay

Rothesay is the UK's largest pensions insurance specialist, purpose-built to protect pension schemes and their members' pensions. With over £74 billion of assets under management, we secure the pensions of nearly one million people and pay out, on average, £355 million in pension payments each month.

Rothesay is dedicated to providing excellence in customer service alongside prudent underwriting, a conservative investment strategy and the careful management of risk. We are trusted by the pension schemes of some of the UK's best known companies to provide pension solutions, including British Airways, Cadbury's, the Civil Aviation Authority, the Co-operative Group, National Grid, NatWest, Morrisons and Telent.

Rothesay has two substantial institutional shareholders, GIC and Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company ("MassMutual"), who provide the company with long-term support for its growth and development.

Rothesay refers to Rothesay Limited and its subsidiaries and is the trading name for Rothesay Life Plc, an insurance company authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated